Voices of public and development outcomes: Do peoples' voices impact economic and social development



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Project Summary	The purpose of this project is explore interrelationships between the voices of public regarding economic and social policies, accountability, democracy and development outcomes in sub-Saharan Africa.
Country	United States
Country/Region of Focus	Africa

Project Description

Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) is one of the fastest growing regions in the world. According to the World Bank sub-Saharan Africa will be home to six of the world's ten fastest growing economies in 2018. Although there has been significant growth poverty and poor development outcomes continues to prevalent in this region. Have the voices of the public in general adequately heard in shaping the economic, political and social policies in SSA economies? The proposed research will analyze data on perceptions of the public from 37 African economies between 1999 and 2015. In particular the project will analyze hyper-local, time-varying information about the priorities, preferences, experiences, and opinions of more than 200,000 African citizens in 28,000 localities at village- and town. The results of the analysis will be used to develop conclusions on the links between perceptions of the public and development outcomes.

Required Skills or Interests

Skill(s)

Analytical writing

Data analysis

Economic analysis

Additional Information

None

Language Requirements

None